CUSTOMER NO.: 24498 PATENT Serial No.: 10/569,168 PU030257

Office Action dated: May 10, 2010

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Alexandros Tourapis

Serial No.: 10/569,168

Filed: Feb. 22, 2006

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR

MINIMIZING NUMBER OF REFERENCE PICTURES USED FOR INTER-CODING

Examiner: Bayard, E.

Group Art: 2611

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please enter and consider the following amendments and remarks.

Listing of the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.